

# Find Your Own Adventures in the past

**Historic gold and silver camps of the West and Alaska, where echoes of the past still linger.**

- Coldfoot Gold Camp, Alaska
- Rochester Gold Camp, Nevada
- South Pass City Historic Mining District including Miner's Delight, Wyoming
- Spanish Gulch Mining District, Oregon
- Alpine Loop National Back Country Byway, Colorado
- Garnet Ghost Town, Montana



**Mysterious rock carvings and giant ground figures crafted by prehistoric artists in the sun-baked deserts of the West.**

- Three Rivers Petroglyph Site, New Mexico
- Rochester Muddy Creek Petroglyph Site, Utah
- Little Black Mountain Petroglyph Site, Arizona
- Hickison Summit Petroglyph Site, Nevada
- Wees Bar Petroglyph Site, Birds of Prey Conservation Area, Idaho
- Whoopup Canyon Petroglyph Site, Wyoming
- Blythe Intaglios, California
- Carrizo Plain Pictograph Site, California
- Cañon Pintado Historic District, Colorado



On the vast expanse of the public lands in the American West and Alaska lie clues to our country's past, like pages in a book of human history that spans more than 10,000 years.

The cultural resources found on public lands embody the dreams and lives of countless generations of Americans, such as ancient and recent hunters and gatherers, settlers and farmers, miners and hopeful immigrant

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**Frontier trails and railroad traces winding into history and legend.**

- Flagstaff Hill and Keeney Pass Trail Sites, Oregon
- Iditarod National Historic Trail, Alaska
- Pony Express Trail, Utah and Nevada
- Spanish Trail-Old Mormon Road, Nevada
- Honeymoon Trail and Beale Wagon Road, Arizona
- Central Pacific Railroad Grade, Utah
- Emigrant Trails of Southern Idaho
- Oregon National Historic Trail, Wyoming
- Bizz Johnson Logging Railroad Trail, California
- Gold Belt Tour National Back Country Byway, Colorado
- Lewis and Clark Trail, Montana

pioneers. Evidence of their struggles preserved today teach us of their triumphs, tragedies and day-to-day life. In turn, we gain insight into solving the problems of today.

The cultural legacies that blanket the nation's public lands are time markers from another age. Some are buried by centuries of sand and dirt, while others stand in silent testimony to another time.



**Weather-worn cabins and homesteads, where pioneer farmers and settlers sunk new roots.**

- Ward Ranch Site, New Mexico
- Black Pine Valley Homesteads, Idaho
- Rogue River Ranch and Whiskey Creek Cabin, Oregon
- Fort Benton to James Kipp Recreation Area Float Trip, Montana
- Riddle Brothers Historic Ranch District, Oregon
- John Jarvie of Brown's Park, Utah

**Ethnic heritage sites, where the rich fabric of America's multi-cultural heritage was woven.**

- Chief Tendoy Cemetery Site, Idaho
- Chinese Mining Sites, Idaho
- Lake Fork Italian Railroad Construction Camp, Colorado
- Navajo Pueblitos, New Mexico

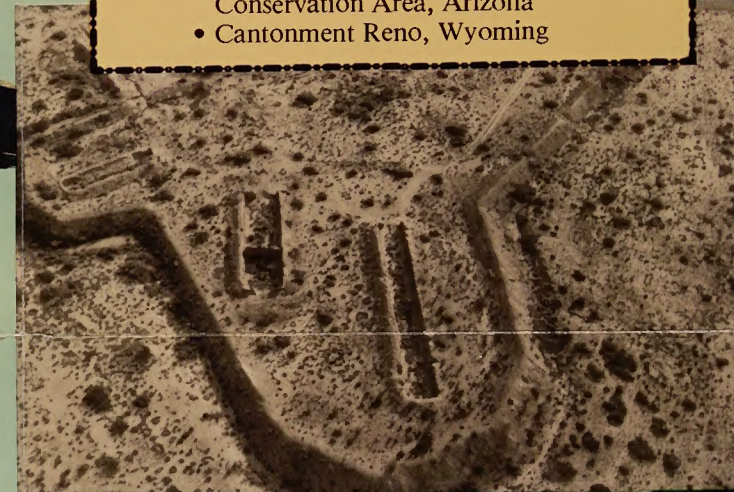
**Spectacular Indian pueblos of the 4-Corners Southwest, where prehistoric farmers pushed back the hostile desert.**

- Anasazi Heritage Center Escalante Ruins Complex, Colorado
- Grand Gulch Archaeological District, Utah
- Chama Gateway Pueblos, New Mexico
- Perry Mesa Pueblo Sites, Arizona
- Lowry Ruins National Historic Landmark, Colorado



**Military sites from the "Old West" to World War II, where purpose and resolve helped forge the nation.**

- Fort Egbert National Historic Landmark, Alaska
- Patton's Camps, California
- Boots and Saddles Forts, New Mexico
- Santa Cruz de Terrenate Spanish Presidio, San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area, Arizona
- Cantonment Reno, Wyoming



**Prehistoric campsites, where remains left by early Americans proclaim the skills of ancient cultures.**

- Red Rocks Recreation Site, Nevada
- Mack Canyon Archaeological District, Oregon
- Murray Springs Clovis Site, San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area, Arizona
- Baker Fremont Site, Nevada
- Fossil Falls Area of Critical Environmental Concern, California
- Lower Salmon River Sites, Idaho
- Hanson Folsom Site, Wyoming
- Shelter Cove, King Range National Conservation Area, California
- Henry Smith Buffalo Jump Site, Montana
- Warner Wetlands Area, Oregon



**Ancient caves and campsites on Ice Age shorelines where time-forgotten hunters lived in a far-different world.**

- Hidden Cave and Grimes Point Sites, Nevada
- Tangle Lakes Archaeological District, Alaska
- Hogup Cave, Utah
- Catlow Cave, Oregon







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The variety of cultural resources on BLM lands is unparalleled, including thousands of historic and prehistoric sites, some more than 10,000 years old.

Cultural resources, anything that shows evidence of having been made, used, or altered by humans, range from ancient Indian ruins to historic ghost towns, and from small scatters of arrowheads or stone tools to abandoned cross-country wagon trails and World War II remains.

From the cultural resources discovered, protected and studied,

what we learn about past people and how they adapted to their world provides vital information to us today—information that helps us learn strategies to cope with such things as global climate changes.

Cultural sites have given America artistic and architectural inspiration, the results of which can be seen in many buildings of modern cities.

Unravelling the mysteries of our country's unique heritage helps us understand the present and wisely plan for the future.

From arid deserts to lush forests, to wind swept tundra, the diversity of BLM's lands provide countless opportunities to learn about and enjoy our nation's past!



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